

to health care services in rural areas and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the delivery of obstetrical and gynecological services. **Page S15049**

Thune (for Gregg) Amendment No. 3671 (to Amendment No. 3500), to strike the section requiring the establishment of a Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network. **Page S15049**

Thune (for Gregg) Amendment No. 3672 (to Amendment No. 3500), to strike a provision relating to market loss assistance for asparagus producers. **Page S15049**

Thune (for Gregg) Amendment No. 3822 (to Amendment No. 3500), to provide nearly \$1,000,000,000 in critical home heating assistance to low-income families and senior citizens for the 2007–2008 winter season, and reduce the Federal deficit by eliminating wasteful farm subsidies. **Page S15049**

Thune (for Grassley/Kohl) Amendment No. 3823 (to Amendment No. 3500), to provide for the review of agricultural mergers and acquisitions by the Department of Justice. **Pages S15049–51**

Thune (for Sessions) Amendment No. 3596 (to Amendment No. 3500), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a pilot program under which agricultural producers may establish and contribute to tax-exempt farm savings accounts in lieu of obtaining federally subsidized crop insurance or noninsured crop assistance, to provide for contributions to such accounts by the Secretary of Agriculture, to specify the situations in which amounts may be paid to producers from such accounts, and to limit the total amount of such distributions to a producer during a taxable year. **Page S15051**

Thune (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3569 (to Amendment No. 3500), to make commercial fishermen eligible for certain operating loans. **Pages S15051–52**

Thune (for Alexander) Amendment No. 3551 (to Amendment No. 3500), to increase funding for the Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems, with an offset. **Pages S15052–53**

Thune (for Alexander) Amendment No. 3553 (to Amendment No. 3500), to limit the tax credit for small wind energy property expenditures to property placed in service in connection with a farm or rural small business. **Page S15053**

Thune (for Bond) Amendment No. 3771 (to Amendment No. 3500), to amend title 7, United States Code, to include provisions relating to rule-making. **Page S15053**

Salazar (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3539 (to Amendment No. 3500), to provide a termination date for the conduct of certain inspections and the issuance of certain regulations. **Page S15057**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, and that there be 3 hours of debate equally divided and controlled for debate on Chambliss (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3711 (to Amendment No. 3500) (listed above); provided further, that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on or in relation to the amendment. **Page S15058**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:39 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S15081.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 4341–4342; and 2 resolutions, and H. Res. 853–854, were introduced. **Page H15215**

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 4108, to amend section 3328 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Selective Service registration (H. Rept. 110–479);